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1. The Sibiu-Turnisor (SR 10) airfield west of the town and south of the road to Sebes-Alba is on a plateau about 30 meters above the valley of the Cibin River.

2. The field, about 1 x 2 km, was constructed in World War II. It was used as a military and civilian airfield in 1948. Mostly Soviet fighters were stationed there after late 1944. Planes of the Tars Airlines, flying the Bucharest-Sibiu-Arad or Timisoara and Bucharest-Sibiu-Cluj routes landed daily at the field in August 1948.

3. The sodded landing field was serviceable even in continuous rainy weather.

4. Two wooden hangars, each 20 x 40 meters; two cantonment buildings, one the airport terminal of the Tars Airlines, the other the guardhouse for soldiers of the Rumanian Air Force; and a DF station were in the northeastern corner of the field in August 1948. No information could be obtained as to whether there were lighting facilities, a fuel dump or an ammunition dump at the field.

5. Highway No 1 paralleled the northern edge of the field. There was no railroad connection. The nearest railroad station was at Turnisor, 2 to 3 km away.

6. Air Force Officers' School APN 4670 was stationed in Sibiu in May 1949. The student pilots trained with Jar-27s.

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Comment. The statements confirm and supplement previous reports. Source made a sketch which agrees with previous report. The information that planes of the Tars Airlines used the field also agrees with previous reports.

Comment. The air force officers school was previously reported. It is not known whether the trainees praticed flying at the Turnisor airfield or at the Sura Mica field further to the north.

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